

**ARIZONA STATEMENT OF CITIZENSHIP
AND ALIEN STATUS FOR STATE PUBLIC BENEFITS**
Professional License and Commercial License
Arizona Dispensing Opticians Board

Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (the "Act"), 8 U.S.C. § 1621, provides that, with certain exceptions, only United States citizens, United States non-citizen nationals, non-exempt "qualified aliens" (and sometimes only particular categories of qualified aliens), nonimmigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the United States are eligible to receive state or local public benefits. With certain exceptions, a professional license and commercial license issued by a State agency is a State public benefit.

Arizona Revised Statutes § 41-1080 requires, in general, that a person applying for a license must submit documentation to the licensing agency that satisfactorily demonstrates the applicant's presence in the United States is authorized under federal law.

- **Directions:** All applicants must complete Sections I, II, and IV. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens or nationals must also complete Section III.
- Submit this completed form and a copy of one or more document(s) from the attached "Evidence of U.S. Citizenship, U.S. National Status, or Alien Status" with your application for license or renewal.
- If the document you submit does not contain a photograph, you must also provide a government issued document that contains your photograph.
- You must submit supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on your evidence is not the same as your current legal name.

SECTION I — APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT'S NAME (Print or type) _____ DATE _____

TYPE OF LICENSE APPLYING FOR: _____

SECTION II — CITIZENSHIP OR NATIONAL STATUS DECLARATION

A. Are you a citizen or national of the United States ☐ Yes ☐ No

B. If **Yes**, indicate place of birth:

City _____ State (or equivalent) _____ Country or Territory _____

C. If you answered **Yes**:

1) Attach a legible copy of a document from the attached list.

Name of document _____

2) Go to Section IV on Page 2.

D. If you answered **No**, you must complete Section III and IV (Page 2)

SECTION III — ALIEN STATUS DECLARATION

Directions: To be completed by applicants who are not citizens or nationals of the United States. Please indicate alien status by checking the appropriate box. Attach a legible copy of the front, and the back (if any), of a document from the attached List B or other document that evidences your status. A.R.S. § 1-501. Name of document provided:

“Qualified Alien” Status (8 U.S.C. §§ 1621(a)(1), -1641(b) and (c))

- ☐ 1. An alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA).
- ☐ 2. An alien who is granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA.
- ☐ 3. A refugee admitted to the United States under Section 207 of the INA.
- ☐ 4. An alien paroled into the United States for at least one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA.
- ☐ 5. An alien whose deportation is being withheld under Section 243(h) of the INA.
- ☐ 6. An alien granted conditional entry under Section 203(a)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980.
- ☐ 7. An alien who is a Cuban and Haitian entrant (as defined in section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980).
- ☐ 8. An alien who is, or whose child or child's parent is a “battered alien” or an alien subjected to extreme cruelty in the United States.

Nonimmigrant Status (8 U.S.C. § 1621(a)(2))

- ☐ 9. A nonimmigrant under the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C. § 1101 et seq.] Nonimmigrants are persons who have temporary status for a specific purpose. See 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15).

Alien Paroled into the United States For Less Than One Year (8 U.S.C. § 1621(a)(3))

- ☐ 10. An alien paroled into the United States for less than one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA

Other Persons (8 U.S.C. § 1621(c)(2)(A) and (C))

- ☐ 11. A nonimmigrant whose visa for entry is related to employment in the United States, or
- ☐ 12. A citizen of a freely associated state, if section 141 of the applicable compact of free association approved in Public Law 99-239 or 99-658 (or a successor provision) is in effect [Freely Associated States include the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau and the Federate States of Micronesia, 48 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq.];
- ☐ 13. A foreign national not physically present in the United States.

Otherwise Lawfully Present (A.R.S. § 1-501)

- ☐ 14. A person not described in categories 1–13 who is otherwise lawfully present in the United States. **PLEASE NOTE: The federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act may make persons who fall into this category ineligible for licensure.** See 8 U.S.C. § 1621(a).

SECTION IV — DECLARATION

All applicants must complete this section. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Arizona that the answers I have given are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

TODAY'S DATE

EVIDENCE OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP, U.S. NATIONAL STATUS OR ALIEN STATUS

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- * You must submit supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on your evidence is not the same as your current legal name. *

Evidence showing authorized presence in the United State includes the following:

1. An Arizona driver license issued after 1996 or an Arizona non-operating identification license.
2. A driver license issued by a state that verifies lawful presence in the United States.
3. A birth certificate or delayed birth certificate showing birth in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa or the Northern Mariana Islands (on or after November 4, 1986, Northern Mariana Islands local time).
4. A United States certificate of birth abroad.
5. A United States passport. ***Passport must be signed***
6. A foreign passport with a United States visa.
7. An I-94 form with a photograph.
8. A United States citizenship and immigration services employment authorization document or refugee travel document.
9. A United States certificate of naturalization.
10. A United States certificate of citizenship.
11. A tribal certificate of Indian blood.
12. A tribal or Bureau of Indian Affairs affidavit of birth.
13. Any other license that is issued by the federal government, any other state government, an agency of this state or a political subdivision of this state that requires proof of citizenship or lawful alien status before issuing the license.